

**Amendment to the Claims:**

The listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-18 (Cancelled).

19. (Previously Presented) A starch obtainable by a method comprising:

- (a) providing a cassava tuber wherein the tuber comprises starch that has an amylopectin content of at least 95 wt.% based on the dry substance weight of the starch; and
- (b) isolating the starch from the cassava tuber.

Claim 20 (Cancelled).

21. (Previously Presented) The starch of claim 19 having an amylopectin content of at least 98 wt.%, based on the dry substance weight of the starch.

22. (Presently Amended) A method for obtaining starch ~~with a high amylopectin content~~ from a tuber of a plant, the method comprising:

- (a) transforming a protoplast of cassava,
- (b) regenerating a cassava plant from the protoplast, and
- (c) isolating starch from the cassava plant, wherein the starch has an amylopectin content of at least 95 wt.% based on the dry substance weight of the starch.

23. (New) A method according to claim 22 wherein the starch has an amylopectin content of at least 98 wt.% based on the dry substance weight of the starch.

Claims 24-27 (Cancelled).